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METHOD OF DETECTING AND QUANTITATING MICROORGANISM HAVING SPECIFIC FUNCTION AND ITS GENE FROM NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, NOVEL 16 SIRNA GEE DATA AND PROBES

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information.

- 1. ...X. This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- 3. X. This is an express request to promptly begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
- 4. ...X. The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31).
- X. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 a. _X is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 b. _X has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 c. __ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- 6. X An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
- Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))

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 b. __ have been communicated by the International Bureau.

 - have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made.
- An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
- X. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. .371(c)(4)).
- An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 16 below concern other document(s) or information included:

- 11. Assignee: NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED INDUSTRIAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY of Tokyo, JAPAN
- __ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13.
- A FIRST preliminary amendment.
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- _ A substitute specification.
- 16. __ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
- 17. ___ Figure of Drawing to be published_
- 18. X Other items or information:

Cover Sheet and International Application as published in Japanese. PCT/RO/101-PCT Request(in Japanese).

- PCT/IB/304. PCT/IB/308.

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Sir:

Enclosed is a new National Stage patent application for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 C.F.R. 1.495. The Declaration and Power of Attorney attached thereto are in unexecuted form. A properly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney will be filed within the period of time set in a Notification to be mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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